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Examiner : Bret P. Chen

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In an Office Action mailed March 21, 2003, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following groups of claims:

- Group I Claims 1-19, 22, drawn to a method, classified in class 427, subclass 255.31.
Group II Claims 20-21, drawn to a product, classified in class 428, subclass 702.

In a telephone discussion with the Examiner on March 20, 2003, Applicants representative elected Group I, Claims 1-19 and 22. Applicants hereby confirm this election of the claims of Group I.

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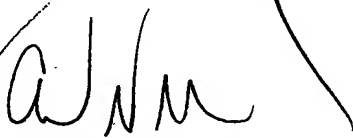
Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for examination on the merits and respectfully request the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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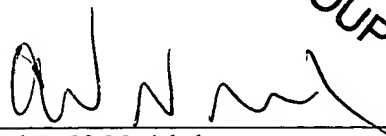
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